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In re Application of:)
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Appln. No.: 10/718,703) : Group Art Unit: 2852
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METHODS) :

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THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449, which were cited in a Japanese Office Action in a Japanese counterpart application. A copy of each of the Japanese documents, along with English-language Abstracts is enclosed.

In addition, a copy of the Japanese Office Action, issued on August 30, 2005, in the Japanese counterpart application, along with an English translation thereof are enclosed. The concise explanation of relevance of the Japanese documents is found in the attached translation

of the Japanese Office Action, and in the attached English Abstracts thereof. In addition, U.S. Patent No. 6,163,665 corresponds to Japanese Document No. 10-105025.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Each item of information in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

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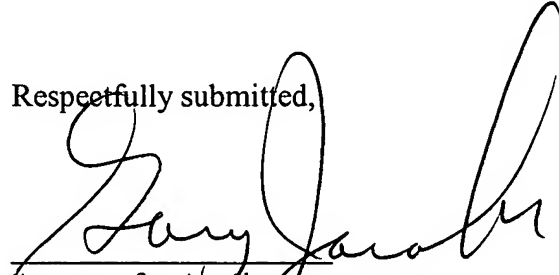
No fee is believed due in connection with this paper; however, if any fee is due, it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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